

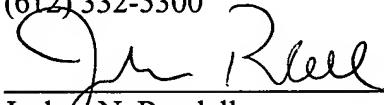
REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the above amendments and the following remarks. Claims 1, 13 and 15 have been amended. Claims 13-17 now depend from claim 1.

Without acquiescing to the statements made in the Restriction Requirement Office Action dated October 19, 2005, Applicant hereby elects without traverse the claims of Group I (claims 1-12, and 18-20) for prosecution in the instant application. Applicants further submit that claims 13-17 should be considered at this time in view of the above amendments. Examination of claims 1-20 on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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